

## Vacancy Announcement

<b>Announcement #</b>	438-09050	<b>Position</b>	Psychiatrist
<b>PayPlan</b>	AD	<b>Series</b>	0602
<b>TargetGrade</b>		<b>Target PD</b>	
<b>Dev Grade</b>		<b>Dev PD</b>	
<b>1st Dev Grade</b>		<b>1st Dev PD</b>	
<b>Opens</b>	02/10/09	<b>Closes</b>	03/25/09
<b>Tour of Duty, etc</b>	Monday-Friday; Administrative Hours		
<b>Special Comments</b>			
<b>Service</b>	Mental Health SL		
<b>Section</b>			
<b>Area/Consideration</b>	Open to all U.S. citizens		
<b>Duty Site</b>	Sioux Falls, SD		
<b>Major Duties</b>	<p>The incumbent conducts diagnostic and therapeutic interventions on an outpatient basis to a wide age range of mental health patients. Additional duties include conducting Compensation and Pension evaluations and consultation to various CBOC's via VTEL, and resident supervision. The incumbent is proficient with programming and best evidenced practices in Psychiatry and Mental Health.</p> <p>Major duties include but are not limited to: Provide direct patient care within outpatient Mental Health as well as to conduct Compensation and Pension evaluations on an as needed basis. Demonstrates clinical competence in the field of psychiatry that is based on best evidenced practice. i.e. diagnosis and treatment modalities. Provides clinical supervision to residents, Advanced Practice Nurse, Physician Assistant. Coordinates/assists with transfer to other units in the hospital, other health care or other VA or community hospital. Assists with Mental Health consults within the Sioux Falls VAMC and via VTEL to respective CBOC's. Assists with residency program, and provides service line orientation to residents and new staff. Is knowledgeable about, and complies with, policies and procedures relating to Public Health and Infection Control. Participates in Performance Improvement activities to improve organizational performance utilizing performance reports, benchmark data. Assists in the implementation of VISN-wide service line policies, procedures, performance goals, strategic plans, and initiatives and addresses any barriers in the implementation of the above. Provide appropriate medical care, treatment modalities and plans toward appropriate discharge plans to various age related groups.</p>		
<b>Time In Grade</b>			
<b>Qualifications</b>	<p>QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Board certified/Board eligible for the American Board of Psychiatry.</li> <li>2. Incumbent must possess and maintain a full, active, current, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in a state, territory or commonwealth of the United States or the District of Columbia.</li> <li>3. Grade requirements established by VA Handbook 5005.</li> <li>4. Subject to physical standards established by VA Handbook 5019.</li> </ol>		

5. Must be proficient in spoken and written English as required by 38 U.S.C. 7402(d) and 7407(d).

**QUALIFYING EXPERIENCE:** Significant accomplishments in clinical practice, educational activities, research or administration which clearly distinguish the physician as having the highest professional qualifications in Mental Health. The selecting official reserves the right to select the most qualified candidate.

## **Rating Factors**

**Application Process** The procedures outlined in AFGE Master Agreement, Article 22, Section 8 will be followed.

Applicants must submit an application package consisting of:

- VA 10-2850 "Application for Physicians, Dentists, Podiatrists and Optometrists"
- OF-306 "Declaration for Federal Employment"
- A resume or CV, proof of licensure, and a copy of their transcripts
- Copy of most recent evaluation/appraisal.
- If a veteran: Veterans Preference eligible's, including VRA 30% disabled, must submit a copy of ALL DD-214's and a SF-15 (if 10 point preference is claimed) with current (dated within the last 12 months) proof of a service-connected disability.

These forms may be obtained through the Human Resources Office or from [www.sioxfalls.va.gov](http://www.sioxfalls.va.gov). Application packages are to be submitted to and received in the VA Medical Center, Human Resources Office, 2501 W. 22nd St., Sioux Falls, SD 57105 not later than 03/03/2009. For additional information contact Patricia Hinzman, (605) 332-3230 x5916 or [Patricia.Hinzman@va.gov](mailto:Patricia.Hinzman@va.gov).

**APPLICANTS PLEASE NOTE:** Education must be accredited by an accrediting institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education in order for it to be credited towards qualifications (particularly positions with a positive education requirement). Therefore, applicants must report only attendance and/or degrees from schools accredited by accrediting institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Applicants can verify accreditation at the following website: <http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/index.html>. All education claimed by applicants will be verified by the appointing agency accordingly.

**PRE-EMPLOYMENT PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:** Position is subject to a pre-employment physical examination. Employment will be contingent upon the results of any required physical.

**DRUG TESTING:** All applicant(s) tentatively selected for Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) employment in a Testing Designated Position (TDP) are subject to urinalysis to screen for illegal drug use prior to appointment. Applicant(s) who refuse to be tested will be denied employment with VA.

**VET PRO CREDENTIALING:** Individuals selected for positions that have patient care responsibilities are subject to undergoing an electronic credentialing process called VetPro. As part of this process, it will be necessary for you to submit complete information concerning your professional education, training, experience, licensure and certifications using VetPro. The candidate selected will be provided with further information on how to use VetPro.

**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT:** Applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, sex, religion, partisan political affiliation, national origin, age, physical or mental handicap. This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and/or hiring process, please notify the agency. A decision for granting reasonable

accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis.

**SECURITY:** Appointments in the Federal Government are subject to a criminal background investigation.

**CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT:** Direct Deposit/Electronic Funds Transfer (DD/EFT) has been established for new civilian employees and employees competitively selected for promotions and reassignments. Employees meeting this definition must enroll in DD/EFT or request a waiver of enrollment. Information will be provided when the job offer is made and during in processing.

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